

Informal Conference

10:00 a.m. September 7, 2006

Application #1003534

Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy

Buchanan-Smith Building, Conf. Room 219

Big Stone Gap, VA

1. **Welcome by Gavin Bledsoe (DMME, facilitator)**
2. **Those also present -**
 - **Donna Puckett (DMLR)– recorder**
 - **Larry Odum (DMLR)**
 - **Timothy Cox (DMLR)**
 - **John Kegley (Sea “B” Mining Company)**
 - **Don Johnson, Esq.**
 - **Andrew Cecil**
 - **Pamela Blackburn (Pocahontas Mining, LLC)**
3. **Purpose of the meeting – to receive comments on the permit bond release application of Sea “B” Mining Company, Permit No. 1401335.**
4. **General overview of how meeting would be conducted –**
 - **Each person wishing to make comment would give –**
 - a. **His/her name**
 - b. **Address**
 - c. **Interest regarding bond release (include company affiliation)**
 - d. **Comment/concern**
5. **Attendees were informed of the DMLR decision process –**
 - **Within 60 days from the close of the conference (September 7th) to approve, disapprove, or require additional information.**
 - **Permittee and Commenters would be informed in writing of the DMLR’s decision on the application as well as the right to administrative review of such.**
6. **Comments were received from 3 persons representing Pocahontas Mining, LLC (Donald Johnson, Esq., Andrew Cecil, and Pamela (West) Blackburn. (transcript to be prepared)**